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Some geometrical properties of a Banach space X are described by the behavior of norms of certain ± 1 matrices between $l_r^n(X)$ -spaces.

1. Definitions and notations

X, Y ; Banach spaces, $1 \leq r, s \leq \infty$, $1/r + 1/r' = 1/s + 1/s' = 1$,

$A = (a_{ij})$; $m \times n$ matrix, $a_{ij} = \pm 1$ ($m \times n$ ± 1 matrix)

$|A|_{r,s;X} = |A : l_r^n(X) \rightarrow l_s^m(X)|$, $l_r^n(X)$; X -valued l_r^n -space

Banach-Matur distance : For two isomorphic Banach spaces E and F

$d(E, F) = \inf\{|T| \cdot |T^{-1}| ; T \text{ is isomorphism from } E \text{ onto } F\}$.

Finite-representability : Y is finitely representable (f. r.) in X if for each (some) $\lambda > 1$ and for each finite-dimensional subspace F of Y there is a finite-dimensional subspace E of X with $\dim E = \dim F$ such that $d(E, F) < \lambda$.

Super-reflexivity : X is super-reflexive if any Banach space f. r. in X is reflexive.

Remark. Consider (P) , a property of Banach spaces. (P) is said to be a super-property if X has (P) and Y is f. r. in X , then Y has (P) . B -convexity and J -convexity are super-properties, but reflexivity and

Radon-Nikodym property (RNP) are not super-properties.

A finite sequence of signs $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_n$ is admissible if all + signs are before all - signs (so there are n different sequences).

$$(1) \quad X ; (n, \varepsilon)\text{-convex}, \quad \varepsilon > 0 \Leftrightarrow \forall x_1, \dots, x_n \text{ with } |x_j| = 1$$

$$\min_{\varepsilon_j = \pm 1} \left| \sum_{j=1}^n \varepsilon_j x_j \right| \leq n(1 - \varepsilon).$$

$$(2) \quad X ; B_n\text{-convex} \Leftrightarrow X ; (n, \varepsilon)\text{-convex for some } \varepsilon > 0.$$

$$(3) \quad X ; B\text{-convex} \Leftrightarrow X ; B_n\text{-convex for some } n.$$

$$(4) \quad X ; J_n\text{-convex} \Leftrightarrow \exists \delta > 0, \forall x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \text{ with } |x_j| = 1,$$

$$\exists \varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_n ; \text{admissible signs}$$

$$\left| \sum_{j=1}^n \varepsilon_j x_j \right| \leq n(1 - \delta).$$

$$(5) \quad X ; J\text{-convex} \Leftrightarrow X ; J_n\text{-convex for some } n.$$

$$(6) \quad X ; \text{uniformly non-square} \Leftrightarrow X ; B_2\text{-convex} (\Leftrightarrow J_2\text{-convex}).$$

Remark. It is known that X is B -convex if and only if l_1 is not f. r. in X ; and X is J -convex if and only if it is super-reflexive.

It is also known that

uniformly convex \Rightarrow uniformly non-square \Rightarrow super-reflexive
and conversely, any super-reflexive Banach space admits an equivalent uniformly convex norm (see [1] and [2]).

2. Main results

Theorem 1 Let X be a Banach space, $1 < r \leq \infty$ and $1 \leq s < \infty$.

Then for any $m \times n$ matrix $A = (a_{ij})$, the following are equivalent.

$$(1) \quad \exists \delta > 0, \quad \forall x_1, \dots, x_n \text{ with } |x_i| = 1$$

$$\min_{1 \leq i \leq m} \left| \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_j \right| \leq n(1 - \delta).$$

$$(2) \quad |A|_{r,s;X} = |A : l_r^n(X) \rightarrow l_s^m(X)| < m^{1/s} n^{1/r'}.$$

Remark. For any Banach space X and for any $m \times n$ matrix $A = (a_{ij})$, we can prove the following:

$$(1) \quad |A|_{r,s;X} \leq m^{1/s} n^{1/r'}.$$

$$(2) \quad \text{If } l_1 \text{ is f.r. in } X, \text{ then } |A|_{r,s;X} = m^{1/s} n^{1/r'}.$$

Corollary 2 (1) X is B_n -convex if and only if $|A|_{r,s;X} < m^{1/s} n^{1/r'}$ for some $m \times n$ matrix $A = (a_{ij})$.

(2) Let R_n be a $2^n \times n$ Rademacher matrix and $1 < p < \infty$. Then X is B_n -convex if and only if $|R_n|_{p,p;X} < 2^{n/p} n^{1/p'}$.

Remark. Rademacher matrices R_n is defined by

$$R_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad R_{n+1} = \left(\begin{array}{c|c} \begin{matrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{matrix} & R_n \\ \hline \begin{matrix} -1 \\ \vdots \\ -1 \end{matrix} & R_n \end{array} \right) \quad (n=1, 2, \dots).$$

For the details of Rademacher matrices, see Kato, Miyazaki and Takahashi [5].

Corollary 3 (Smith and Turett [9]) Let $1 < p < \infty$. Then X is B_n -convex if and only if $L_p(X)$ is. In particular, X is uniformly non-square if and only if $L_p(X)$ is, and X is B -convex if and only if $L_p(X)$ is.

Let A_2 be a 2×2 Littlewood matrix, that is, $A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$. Then $n \times n$ admissible matrices A_n ($n \geq 2$) is defined by

$$A_{n+1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ 1 & & & & \\ \vdots & & A_n & & \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & \dots & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (n=1, 2, \dots)$$

Corollary 4 X is J_n -convex if and only if $|A_n|_{p,p;X} < n$ for each (some) p with $1 < p < \infty$. In particular, X is super-reflexive if and only if $|A_n|_{p,p;X} < n$ for some n and each (some) p with $1 < p < \infty$.

Corollary 5 (Pisier [8]; see also Beauzamy [1]) Let $1 < p < \infty$. Then X is J_n -convex if and only if $L_p(X)$ is. In particular, X is super-reflexive if and only if $L_p(X)$ is.

Theorem 6 Let X be a Banach space and $1 < r \leq p \leq s < \infty$. Then for any Bochner space $L_p(X)$ and for any $m \times n \neq 1$ matrix $A = (a_{ij})$,

it holds $|A : l_r^n(L_p(X)) \rightarrow l_s^m(L_p(X))| \leq |A : l_r^n(X) \rightarrow l_s^m(X)|$.

Remark. (1) Corollaries 3 and 5 also follow from Theorem 6.

(2) From Theorem 5, it follows that if (p, p') -Clarkson inequality holds in X , then it also holds in $L_r(X)$, where $1 \leq p \leq 2$ and $p \leq r \leq p'$ (see Takahashi and Kato [10]).

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